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Applicant : Rudolf EHRMAIER, et al.  
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Title : Electronic Control Unit for Automatically Activating a  
Parking Brake and Method for Preventing The Automatic  
Activation of The Parking Brake in Motor Vehicles

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office

Action dated February 5, 2004.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.